# THE AMERICAN COMMUNITY SCHOOLS OF ATHENS, INC. (ACS)

### ASSISTED SCHOOL SPECIAL NEEDS PROFILE

NOTE: School situations can change quickly, particularly as schools face cutbacks to learning support programs due to the pandemic, unrest, and economic uncertainty. For the most current information, work with the REO and school. Information in this document was collected by the Department of State's Office of Overseas Schools directly from the school in spring 2023 and shows the availability of services rather than an assessment of the quality of the services. The profile is intended as a jumping off point for a conversation with the REO and school to understand the best fit for your child. Definitions may vary school to school. If a field is not specified, please reach out to the REO listed below for more information.



The American Community Schools of Athens, Inc. is an independent, coeducational day school system, which offers an educational program from

junior kindergarten through grade 12 for students of all nationalities. The school was established in 1945.

Read more on the Overseas School Fact Sheet.

#### ADMISSIONS & SPECIAL NEEDS INFORMATION

The school's admission criteria and procedures can be found at

www.acs.gr/prospective\_students\_admissions.

Special needs information can be found www.acs.gr/schools\_elementary\_support\_services.

IN GENERAL. THE SCHOOL CAN SUPPORT STUDENTS WHOSE LEARNING SUPPORT NEEDS ARE

#### Mild

#### ABLE AND WILLING TO ACCOMMODATE STUDENTS WITHIN THE FOLLOWING CATEGORIES

| Hearing Impaired                      | Yes |   |
|---------------------------------------|-----|---|
| Physically or Orthopedically Impaired | No  | _ |
| Visually Impaired                     | No  |   |
| Autistic                              | No  |   |
| Specifically Learning Disabled        | Yes | _ |
| Intellectually Disabled               | No  |   |

| Behaviorally/Emotionally Disturbed | Yes |  |
|------------------------------------|-----|--|
| Multiple Disabilities              | No  |  |
| Other health impairment            | No  |  |
| Speech or Language impaired        | Yes |  |
| Traumatic Brain Injury             | No  |  |

#### SPECIAL NEEDS SUPPORT SERVICES

**Teacher** Accommodations



**Teacher Accommodations Learning Support Teacher** 



**Learning Support Teacher** 



Co-Teaching/ **Team Teaching** Support Class in the Classroom Yes

Secondary **School** 

Academic



SELF-CONTAINED CLASSROOM



In **Elementary** No In Middle School No In High School No

**Maximum Hours** per Week per Student **Pull Out** Push In

Support for special needs preschoolers Yes





## SPECIAL NEEDS SUPPORT STAFF IN THE SCHOOL

Special Needs Coordinator:

Special Needs Teacher: Psychologist: 1.5

School Counselor:

Staffing numbers are listed as full school totals. A breakdown by elementary, middle, and high school levels can be found on the

**School Summary Information Portal** 

or by emailing OverseasSchools@state.gov.

## SERVICES AVAILABLE IN ENGLISH

## SCHOOL COMMUNITY

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|-----------------------------------|------|-------|
| Psycho Educational Assessment     | Yes  | No    |
| Speech Therapy                    | Yes  | No    |
| Occupational Therapy              | Yes  | No    |
| Physical Therapy                  | No   | Yes   |
| Behavior and/or Autism Specialist |      |       |
| (ABA/Behavior Plan/Interventions) | No   | Yes   |
| Social Skills Group/              |      |       |
| Social Skills Training            | No   | Yes   |
|                                   |      |       |

| SCHOOL           |    |  |
|------------------|----|--|
| 1:1 Trained      |    |  |
| Classroom Aide   | No |  |
| Special          |    |  |
| Transportation   | No |  |
| Transportation   |    |  |
| Paraprofessional | No |  |
|                  |    |  |

## LITERACY & MATHEMATICS SUPPORT

# **SCHOOL COMMUNITY**

| U.S. Credentialed Reading Specialist | Yes | No |
|--------------------------------------|-----|----|
| Reading Remediation                  | No  | No |
| Reading Programs for Dyslexia        |     |    |
| (Orton Gillingham, etc.)             | No  | No |
| Math Specialist                      | Yes | No |
| OUESTIONS ABOUT THE                  |     |    |

Please note, some schools may have an expectation that parents make arrangements for support services even if they are listed as available.

# QUESTIONS ABOUT THE BEST EDUCATIONAL FIT FOR YOUR CHILDREN

Reach out to:

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